

# HOLY EUCHARIST

*Proper 11 in Ordinary Time*

ST. PAUL'S ON THE GREEN | JULY 23, 2023 – 9:00AM & 11:00AM

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PRELUDE

*Allegretto from Sonata in E Flat – Horatio Parker (1863-1919)*

*Please stand as the bell sounds.*



# HYMN IN PROCESSION



1 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height;  
 2 O praise ye the Lord! Praise him up - on earth,  
 \*3 O praise ye the Lord! All things that give sound;  
 4 O praise ye the Lord! Thanks - giv - ing and song

re - joice in his word, ye an - gels of light;  
 in tune - ful ac - cord, all ye of new birth;  
 each ju - bi - lant chord re - ech - o a - round;  
 to him be out - poured all a - ges a - long!

ye hea - vens, a - dore him by whom ye were made,  
 praise him who hath brought you his grace from a - bove,  
 loud or - gans, his glo - ry forth tell in deep tone,  
 For love in cre - a - tion, for hea - ven re - stored,

and wor - ship be - fore him, in bright - ness ar - rayed.  
 praise him who hath taught you to sing of his love.  
 and sweet harp, the sto - ry of what he hath done.  
 for grace of sal - va - tion, O praise ye the Lord!

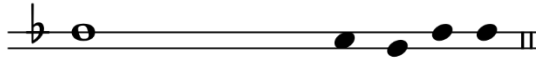
Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821–1877), alt.; based on Psalms 148 and 150  
 Music: *Laudate Dominum*, Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848–1918)

## THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

*The Celebrant intones*

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

## *The People respond*



Glory to God fore-ver and ev-er.

GLORIA



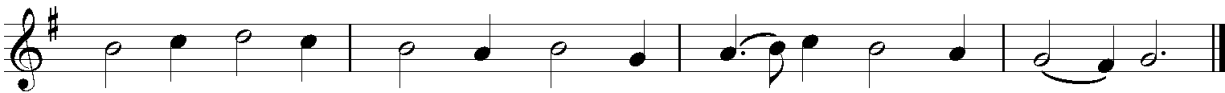
1 All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace on earth from  
2 O Lamb of God, Lord Je - sus Christ, whom God the Fa - ther  
3 You on - ly are the Ho - ly One, who came for our sal -



hea - ven, and God's good will un - fail - ing - ly be  
gave us, who for the world was sac - ri - ficed up -  
va - tion, and on - ly you are God's true Son, who



to all peo - ple giv - en. We bless, we wor - ship you, we raise for  
on the cross to save us; and, as you sit at God's right hand and  
was be - fore cre - a - tion. You on - ly, Christ, as Lord we own and,



your great glo - ry    thanks and praise, O    God, Al-might - y    Fa - ther.  
we for judg-ment    there must stand, have    mer - cy, Lord, up - on    us.  
with the Spi - rit,    you a - lone share    in    the Fa - ther's glo - ry.

Words: Nikolaus Decius (1490?-1541); tr. F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984), rev.; para. of *Gloria in excelsis*  
 Music: *Allein Gott in der Höh*, melody att. Nikolaus Decius (1490?-1541); harm. Hieronymus Praetorius (1560?-1629)

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*The Celebrant intones*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

O God, patient and forbearing, you alone know fully the goodness of what you have made. Strengthen our spirit when we are slow and temper our zeal when we are rash, that in your own good time you may produce in us a rich harvest from the seed you have sown and tended. We make our prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

## THE LESSON *seated*

*Isaiah 44:6-8*

Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel, and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts: I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. Who is like me? Let them proclaim it, let them declare and set it forth before me. Who has announced from of old the things to come? Let them tell us what is yet to be. Do not fear, or be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? You are my witnesses! Is there any god besides me? There is no other rock; I know not one.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the People.

**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *standing, all turn toward the Gospel as it is brought among the People.*

*The Cantor sings the Refrain, and all repeat it.*



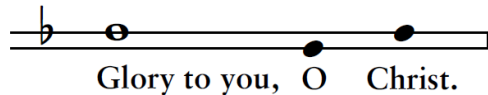
*The Cantor sings alone*

Look to the one who sows good seed, the seeds that are God's children,  
At the end of the age, you shall shine like the sun of God's kingdom.

*all repeat Refrain*

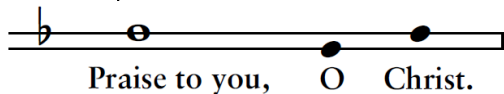
Setting: Fintan O'Carroll (1922-1981)

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.



Jesus put before the crowd another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'" Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!"

The Gospel of the Lord.



SERMON

*The Rev. Daniel Simons*

*A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only son of God, eternally begotten of the Father. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit, He became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son, She\* is worshipped and glorified. She has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*\*Holy Spirit in biblical languages is a feminine-gendered word,  
and we use the feminine pronoun here to highlight that aspect of God's fullness.*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray now to God, who hears our prayers even before we ask.

Holy One, inspire and lead those who hold authority in the nations of the world.

**Guide us and all people in the way of justice and peace.**

Strengthen all who minister in Christ's name.

**That the life of Christ may be revealed in us.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from sickness, grief, or trouble.

**In your presence may they find strength.**

Look with your kindness on our homes and families.

**Grant that your love may grow in our hearts.**

Make us alive to the needs of our community.

**Help us to share one another's joys and burdens.**

We pray for the particular needs and thanksgivings of those gathered here.

*Please add your particular intercessions and thanksgivings aloud or in silence.*

We remember those who have died, especially those we now name...

*Please add particular names aloud or in silence.*

Hear us, O God,

**For we put our trust in you.**

*The Celebrant prays a concluding collect, or the following*

These things, loving God, that your servants have prayed for, give us grace to work for; and in the purpose of your love answer our prayers and fulfill our hopes for Jesus' sake.

**Amen.**

## THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Please share a sign of peace with those around you.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS *seated*

### **Giving to St. Paul's**

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## MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY *sung by the Choir at 11am*

HYMN AT THE OFFERTORY *standing*

*Unison*



1. As grain on scat-tered hill - sides, when gath-ered, makes one bread,  
2. A grain of wheat is fruit - less un - til in earth it lies;  
3. Like yeast that brings new fer - ment so life - less dough may rise,  
4. O Christ, our ris - en Sav - ior; O Spir - it, ho - ly dove,

God, gath - er all your peo - ple as one in Christ our head.  
then, dy - ing to its old life, it bears and mul - ti - plies.  
your Spir - it is the leav - en of life that sat - is - fies.  
come now and move a - mong us; make us a sign of love.

We come from man - y plac - es and we are not the same,  
So may we die to ha - tred, to all our hurt - ful ways,  
As salt en - hanc - es fla - vor, en - rich - es, and pre - serves,  
Come, knead and blend each tex - ture with strong and gen - tle hands,

yet your strong love has called us to meet in Je - sus' name.  
re - born to com - mon liv - ing, to love, to work, to praise.  
may earth re - joice to sa - vor a church that heals and serves.  
that we may be one bod - y, one loaf in man - y lands.

Words: Ruth Duck  
Music: *Merle's Tune*, Hal H. Hopson

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant*                      *People*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

*Celebrant*                      *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord. God of powr' and

7                      might.                      Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na

14                      in the high - est.                      Bles - sed is he, O bles - sed is

20                      he who comes in the name of the Lord.                      Ho - san - na in the

27                      high - - - est.                      Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: St. Anne's Mass, James MacMillan (b. 1952)

*The Celebrant continues*

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

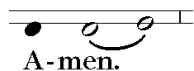
Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with the blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Paul, and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.


Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

*People*



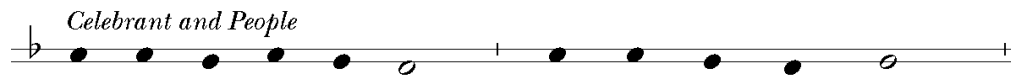
## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant*

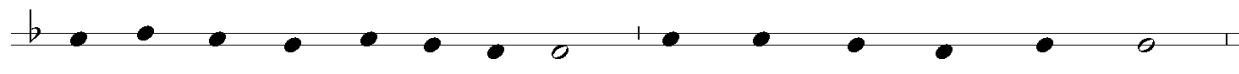


As our Sa - vior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

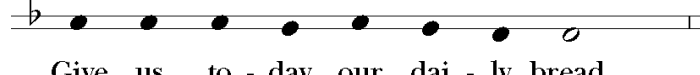
*Celebrant and People*



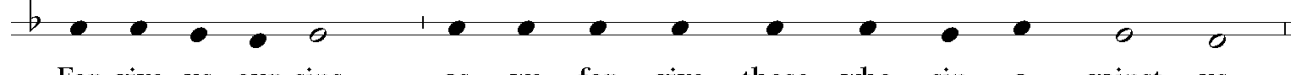
Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,



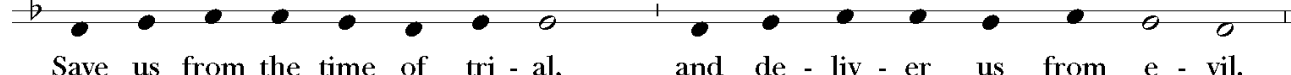
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.



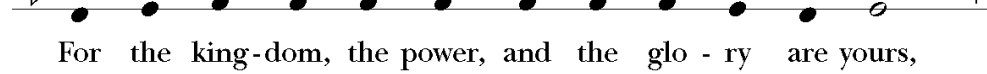
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.




For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.



Save us from the time of tri - al, and de - liv - er us from e - vil.



For the king - dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,



now and for ev - er. A - men.

Setting: Ambrosian Chant, adapt. Mason Martens

## THE COMMUNION

*The Celebrant breaks the bread and invites the People to Communion, saying*

God of promise, you have prepared a banquet for us.

**Happy are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.**

*Everyone, without exception, is welcome to receive the bread and wine of Communion. Please follow the direction of the ushers. Gluten-free hosts are available upon request; grape juice is available in the blue-dot cups. Healing prayer is available in the side aisles for those wishing to pray with someone for any need in their lives.*

*All sing as the distribution of Communion begins:*



*Setting: St. Anne's Mass, James MacMillan (b. 1952)*

MUSIC AT COMMUNION      *sung by the Choir at 11:00am*

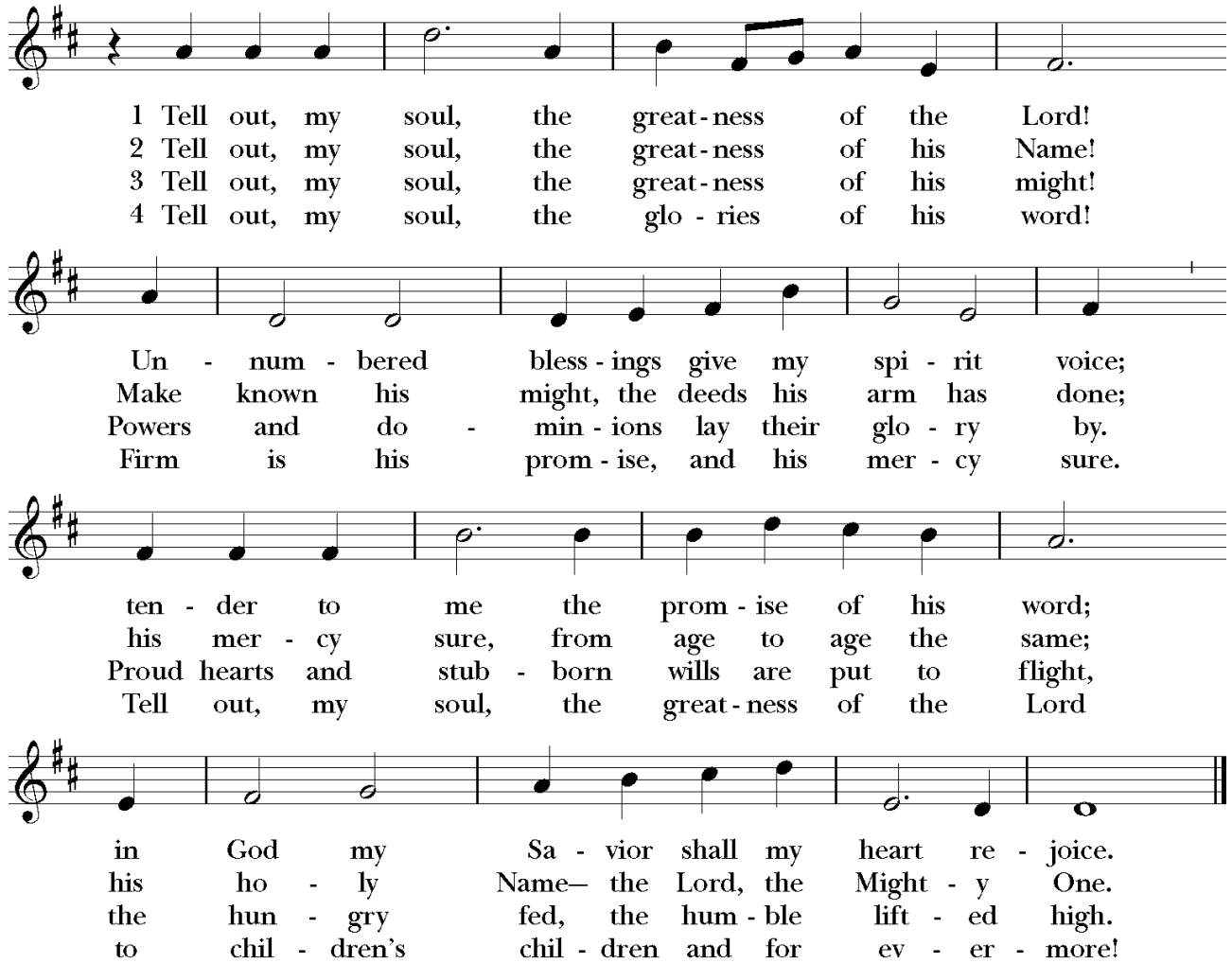
THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION      *standing*

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;  
you have united us with Christ and one another;  
and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.  
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,  
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world  
and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The blessing of God Almighty: Eternal Majesty, Incarnate Word, and Abiding Presence, be upon you  
and remain with you, now and always. **Amen.**

## HYMN IN PROCESSION



1 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord!  
 2 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his Name!  
 3 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of his might!  
 4 Tell out, my soul, the glo - ries of his word!

Un - num - bered bless - ings give my spi - rit voice;  
 Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;  
 Powers and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by.  
 Firm is his prom - ise, and his mer - cy sure.

ten - der to me the prom - ise of his word;  
 his mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;  
 Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,  
 Tell out, my soul, the great-ness of the Lord

in God my Sa - vior shall my heart re - joice.  
 his ho - ly Name— the Lord, the Might - y One.  
 the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.  
 to chil - dren's chil - dren and for ev - er - more!

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926); based on The Song of Mary  
 Music: Woodlands, Walter Greatorex (1877–1949), alt.

## THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world to love and to serve.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*Now Thank We All Our God* – Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

## THE WORSHIP IS OVER – THE SERVICE BEGINS

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